HOUSE BILL No. 2730

By Committee on Water and Environment

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AN ACT concerning water; relating to the division of water resources of the department of agriculture; requiring a study of the impact of groundwater use on streamflow impairments.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. The division of water resources of the department of agriculture shall commission a study on the impacts that the use of groundwater has upon nearby streamflow and other surface water. The study shall provide findings upon whether streamflow and other surface water is reduced due to newly approved groundwater permits to appropriate water for beneficial use or changes in place of use or point of diversion. Such report shall be provided to the house of representatives standing committee on water and environment and the senate standing committee on agriculture and natural resources on or before January 31, 2019.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.